

ZOO MONKEYS WEPT AS OLD KEEPER LEFT

Keenan, Transferred to Bird House, Spent a Day Bidding His Old Friends Farewell.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—After twenty-five years' duty in the monkey house in the Zoo in Central Park, Patrick Keenan has been transferred to the bird house. Old Daniel Burns, who has seen even longer service than Keenan, is in poor health, and so when he got leave of absence Keenan was sent to take his place. Bill Snyder, head keeper, told his friends in the hayhouse yesterday of the change, and his report was supplemented by the aged monkey house keeper setting forth the trials and tribulations of his first week with the "birds." All this brought out for the first time why Teddie, a small brown South American monkey, is living in peace behind the scenes in the bird house instead of his accustomed cage in the monkey house.

The truthful Bill is authority for the statement that Keenan had to bid adieu to many of his friends in the monkey house that he spent nearly all of one day telling them he was going away, and they all cried in chorus.

"Bill," said Pat, "I know you won't like birds. I never did, and I am too old now to get new set of affections."

Unfortunately the head keeper insisted that Pat was the proper person to take charge of the birds, and in the end got him reluctantly to find goodby to his friends, and to cross over with his belongings, to the other side of the Zoo.

Monkey's Best Companion.

"I will admit that the monkeys all got off their feed when Pat left, but I factored them up, for I believe the change was for the good of the service," explained Snyder. "Over in the bird house Pat got off his feed also, but the worst of the lot was Teddie. He occupied a small cage near the snake enclosure at the east end of the building, and was Pat's best companion. I always kept Pat where he would spend the monkeys, and when Keenan came he had not gone so far away that he can't go back once in a while to gladden his friends with a sight of him and the sound of his voice. But he does enjoy visiting with the monkeys to talk to each other in Central Park because it takes a man away from his work. Well, in spite of these occasional visits of Keenan to Teddie, the latter girl worse than Horton, my assistant, told me that something must be done."

I went to the monkey house next day and looked Teddie over. He sure was feeling bad over the departure of his best friend, so I began talking him down row. I told him, "Teddy must have heard me, for he pricked up his little ears and showed interest for the first time. He then must have made up his mind to escape, for the next morning Teddie had disappeared. There was a hole at the back of his cage which had been covered with a piece of wire netting. The netting had been torn open, and there was evidence of the way Teddie had made his escape.

"It was three days later," Bill says, "that the mystery of Teddie's disappearance was solved. One day Keenan came to visit the bird house and I came upon Keenan rather unexpectedly, but not so much so that the old man did not spot me out the end of his eye and shrill shrieked hurryingly behind the misty cage door.

"What's that?" said I.

"Nothing," said he, confused like, and he went on to discuss the looks of the last man he saw. "Now when Keenan is taken to talking with me, he always figure out that he is trying to cover up something. I took to regarding the bird bunch that put me behind the cage door with suspicion, and I noticed a bright little eye regarding me from between the folds, and I knew in a second that I had solved the mystery of the monkey's disappearance."

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"Ah, Bill," said Keenan after Copeland, the park policeman, had expressed the opinion that Keenan could be charged with petit larceny for harboring a runaway monkey, "the poor little beastie really wanted to be with me. I could not refuse to take him in. It was on a Friday night after the visitors had departed, and we were ready to go home, that I heard a scratching at the window. 'What's that?' says I to myself. I listened, and when the sound came several times I investigated and there on the ledge of the window was Teddie, shivering and crying to break his poor little heart. So, I took him in. I could not refuse."

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Keenan explained that the real reason he did not make Teddie stay at the bird house the subject of an official report was that he wanted Teddie as much as Teddie wanted him.

The service of Keenan in the bird house was of no particular note, but he had been in the care of the other keepers, and the other keepers, signing their names only rarely, sign them differently almost every time, and their signatures seldom look the same twice in a row.

This is another of the problems which the plan has solved.

The police authorities are as well pleased with the adoption of the finger print plan by banks as are the bank officers and the public.

It will more effectively minimize the number of frauds perpetrated by the banks by experienced criminals.

The finger print system of identification has long been in use by the police force here and in other countries, and in the various police headquarters there are records of the finger prints of many cheaters, forgers, and other offenders.

Those who have the finger prints of these offenders will be inclined to keep away from the banks which have also adopted the finger print plan.

Concert Today

Orchestral Concert by the U. S. Soldiers' Home Band, at Stanley Hall at 6:45 o'clock.

JOHN S. M. ZIMMERMANN, Director.

March, "The Palace of Peace"

Vanderbilt, Op. 27

(b) "Hedwige," Op. 15-A

"Karnaval," Op. 23

Selection, "Lady Luxury" Schroeder

Characteristic, "There Was Once an Owl"

Herbert

Waltz Suite, "Mountain Beams," G. F. Cofe

Finnish, "When Old Bill Bailey Plays the Ukulele," Vincent

"The Star-Spangled Banner."

Seek Band Aid to End Rabbit Raid

Cotton Tails Swarm Into Texas Town and Cow Even the Dogs.

DUBLIN, Tex., Nov. 26.—Yesterday the population of Dublin was 2,551. Today it is approximately 1,002,551. Jack rabbit and all his relations for miles around suddenly tired of rural life so they moved right into the city. They occupied back yards, front yards, garages, the public square and held overflow meetings in the streets.

There is not enough ammunition in the city to make even an impression on the hordes. The rabbits have made friends with all the cats and the dogs are cowed through sheer weight of numbers. A Texas jack rabbit can lick the attorney general, dog, any day.

If other methods fail, it is planned to use the Dublin Silver Cornet Band, in a sort of Pied Piper effect. The band has been known to drive humans out of town and might have the same effect on the rabbits.

EDUCATIONAL

Red Cross Seal Crusade Is Opened in New York

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—The annual Christmas Red Cross seal campaign began today. More than a million workers started out to sell 225,000 seal seals before Christmas. They expect to raise at least \$75,000 for the anti-tuberculosis campaign in the United States.

came to Snyder in great excitement and reported he feared harm would come to the little goose.

"What's the trouble?" asked the head keeper.

"He keeps his head too long under water," explained the new bird keeper.

BANKS KEEP RECORD OF FINGER PRINTS

Preserve Absolute Identification of Depositors by Up-to-Date Method.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—If one of the clerks in the savings bank pushes an ink pad toward you the next time you go to draw out money or make a deposit and asks you for your finger print, don't become indignant and assume that the clerk is in reality a detective who imagines that your finger print would be of particular interest at headquarters. It's just a new method of establishing your identity. The plan has been adopted recently by several New York savings banks.

In these banks little placards are hung up in the cashiers' office or some convenient place, showing the prints of three fingers of somebody's hand, and the accompanying intelligence that, "Your signature may be questioned or invalidated, but your finger print never changes." All persons opening new accounts in these banks are requested to leave the imprint of the first three fingers of the right hand on the reverse side of the identification card which is made out for them, thus there is no question about the identity of the depositor in the future. Old depositors are also asked to leave their finger prints, and the cashier deposits who cannot sign their names the finger prints replace or accompany the old-fashioned cross mark for signature.

The American Savings Bank adopted the plan, and many other banks have followed. Bill, the new morning Teddie had disappeared. There was a hole at the back of his cage which had been covered with a piece of wire netting.

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Ministers Uphold Kitchin In Opposing Preparedness

DURHAM, N. C., Nov. 26.—The North Carolina Conference of the Christian Church in session here, voted to record its opposition to the preparedness program of President Wilson. United States Senator Simmons was urged to oppose the measure in Congress.

The action of the conference is considered a further endorsement of Congressman Claude Kitchin, who is opposing the Administration's preparedness program.

Kitchin explained that there is three feet of water in that pool for an hour. He can't be swimming, and he ain't an anchor, and I am trying to figure out how he keeped about.

He was soon to explain when the diminutive climbed to the bank, "so," said Pat, looking at the long-legged bird, and as a great light broke on him he said with feeling, a very unrefined word.

No affidavit goes with this story, though Hurton says it is true, it is reported in the hay house that Keenan

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CHORUS GIRLS—Experienced, steady, reliable engagement. \$15 and \$18 per month; furnish all costumes; call immediately. 91st St., N. W., third floor.

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COOK—Good, colored. Apply Apartment 22, Hoffman, 1323 Belmont St., N. W.

GUILL—White, to take care of two little children during the day. Call at 421 9th St., N. W., after 6 p. m.

HOUSEKEEPER with small laundry and dish washing; \$15. Mass. ave., N. E. Call after 6 p. m.

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EXPERIENCED CLERK desires employment of evenings; best reference. Apply 209 North Carolina ave.

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FOR RENT—Rooms, 4th and 5th floors, 1120 Connecticut Ave., N. W. \$15. GOODACHE, Owner.

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For Rent—Houses Unfurnished.

PORE RENT BY OWNER—1041 South Carolina ave., S. E., four-room house, brick, everything in good condition; \$15 per month to right party.

144 HUTCHINS ST., S. E.—Ten-room brick; bath, cellar, large yard to alley; good repair, heat, \$25.50. Key 107 East Capital st.

FOR RENT—Cor. 4th and S. W., 9th and S. W., good condition. Key 421 9th St., N. W.

Deaths

AUSTIN—Suddenly, at her residence, 1428 S street northwest, at 8 a. m., November 28, MARY ELIZA AUSTIN, dearly beloved wife of James B. Austin, aged sixty-nine years.

Notice of funeral heretofore.

BENSON—On Tuesday, November 25, 1915, HARVEY R. BENSON, 60 years, died at his residence, 1107 15th St., N. W. Services will be held in Ganton-Temple Presbyterian Church on Saturday, November 27, at 4:30 p. m. Interment at Springfield, Ohio.

In Memoriam

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